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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of:

Ryota AKIYAMA et al.

Serial No. 09/406,087

Group Art Unit: 2134

Confirmation No. 1217

Filed: September 24, 1999

Examiner: BROWN, CHRISTOPHER J

For: AUTHENTICATION SYSTEM, AUTHENTICATION METHOD, SIGNING APPARATUS, SIGNING METHOD, CERTIFYING APPARATUS, CERTIFYING METHOD, AND A COMPUTER-READABLE RECORDING MEDIUM WITH A PROGRAM MAKING A COMPUTER EXECUTE THE METHOD RECORDED THEREIN

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed June 7, 2004, and having a period for response set to expire on September 7, 2004. A Petition for One Month Extension of Time, together with the requisite fee is enclosed, thereby extending the response due date to October 7, 2004.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

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